

### REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 18-33, 42-49 and 53-59 were allowed in the parent application. Claims 6-17, 34-41 and claims 50-52 were withdrawn. New claims 60-84 are hereby presented. Each claim defines an invention that is novel and unobvious over the cited art. Favorable consideration of this case is respectfully requested.

The material herein added to the specification by amendment is not new matter. Rather the added material merely conforms the specification to the specification as allowed in the parent case.

In view of the above, consideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing amendments be entered, that the application as so amended receive an examination on the merits, and that the claims as now presented receive an early allowance.

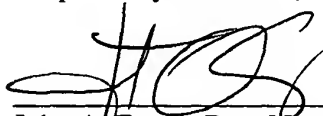
In the event the Examiner believes an interview might serve to advance the prosecution of this application in any way, the undersigned attorney is available at the telephone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 22-0185.

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Respectfully submitted,



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